NEWS RELEASE

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District: 05 – Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Monterey, San Benito and Santa

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

STATE ROUTE 154 CLOSED DUE TO BLOCKED CULVERT FOLLOWING WINTER STORM ACTIVITY

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY – State Route 154 remains closed today near Lake Cachuma following a series of winter storms which due to a blocked culvert resulting in water on the asphalt pavement.

Caltrans is working to clear the opening of this culvert which is 35 feet below surface of the water and debris.

Highway 154 remains closed from Santa Barbara to the Junction with State Route 246. Motorists may use US Highway 101 as a detour.

There is no estimate when this section of Highway 154 will re-open. Caltrans engineers and maintenance staff are working to open the highway as soon as possible.

Caltrans reminds motorists to move over and slow down when driving through highway work zones.

For traffic updates on other state highways in Santa Barbara County, motorists can call Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs at (805) 549-3318 or visit the District 5 website at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/road_information.htm

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